

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Title on page 1 as follows:

AQUEOUS ELECTROLYTIC SOLUTION PRIMARY BATTERY

Please amend the paragraph at page 1, line 25 through page 2, line 12, as follows:

For example, a primary battery using aluminum as its negative electrode is expected to have high voltage, large capacity, and light weight compared with a primary battery using zinc as its negative electrode, and has been researched for a long time. For instance, the specification of United States Patent No. 2,838,591 discloses a battery comprising a positive electrode including manganese dioxide, a negative electrode made of aluminum, and an ~~electrolysis~~ electrolytic solution made of weak acidic aqueous solution of aluminum chloride. This battery, however, has a problem in reactivity between the aluminum used in the negative electrode and the ~~electrolysis~~ electrolytic solution, and is hence large in self-discharge, large in generation of hydrogen gas, and small in capacity.

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Please amend the paragraph at page 3, lines 1-⁸~~12~~, as follows:

On the other hand, according to Jpn. Pat. Appln. KOKAI Publication No. 8-77996, a water repellent polymer sheet having gas permeable and liquid impermeable properties is provided between the gasket and the negative electrode bottom plate, and the gas in the battery is forced outside the battery, and leakage or scattering of ~~electrolysis~~ electrolytic solution to the outside of the battery is prevented.

Please amend the paragraph at page 6, line 11 through page 7, line 3, as follows:

A first battery of the invention comprises:

a power generating element container,